

**Sex-Linked Problems**

1. Hemophilia (bleeder's disease) is due to a recessive sex-linked gene only found on the X chromosome. If a normal blood clotting  $X^H$  is dominant to hemophilia  $X^h$ , then what would be the genotype of the following individuals?

- a. Homozygous non-hemophilic woman \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Non-hemophilic man \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Heterozygous non-hemophilic woman \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Hemophilic man \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Hemophilic woman \_\_\_\_\_

2. A normal man marries a normal woman heterozygous for the hemophilia gene (a carrier). Hemophilia will likely occur in \_\_\_\_\_% of their male children and \_\_\_\_\_% of their female children. Complete the punnett square

Genotype of the man: \_\_\_\_\_

Genotype of the woman: \_\_\_\_\_

Punnett Square:


3. A hemophiliac man marries a homozygous normal woman. Probability of having hemophilia and male is \_\_\_\_\_%. Probability of having hemophilia and be female is \_\_\_\_\_%.

Genotype of the man: \_\_\_\_\_

Genotype of the woman: \_\_\_\_\_

Punnett Square:


4. A hemophiliac man marries a normal woman whose father had hemophilia. Hemophilia will likely occur in \_\_\_\_\_% of male children and \_\_\_\_\_% of female children.

Genotype of the man: \_\_\_\_\_

Genotype of the woman: \_\_\_\_\_

Punnett Square:


5. Duchenne muscular dystrophy is a sex-linked disorder that is caused by a defective recessive gene located on the X chromosome. The disorder results in a wasting away of muscles and the individual usually dies by the age of 20. The gene  $X^D$  is for normal muscles and is dominant. The gene  $X^d$  is for muscular dystrophy, but is recessive.

The father is normal ( $X^D Y$ ) and the mother is a carrier ( $X^D X^d$ ) for muscular dystrophy.

From all the possible offspring combinations, what are the chances in percentages for having children with the following characteristics?

- a. a son who has muscular dystrophy: \_\_\_\_\_%
- b. a daughter who has MD: \_\_\_\_\_%
- c. a daughter who is a carrier: \_\_\_\_\_%
- d. a son who is non-muscular dystrophy: \_\_\_\_\_%

Punnett Square:


6. In humans, red-green colour blindness is a sex-linked recessive trait with the gene located only on the X chromosome. If the  $X^E$  represents the gene for normal colour vision and  $X^e$  represents the gene for colour blindness, indicate the phenotypes and ratios for the following situation: The mother is homozygous normal and the father is colour blind.

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

- a. a female with normal vision: \_\_\_\_\_%
- b. a female who is colourblind: \_\_\_\_\_%
- c. a male with normal vision: \_\_\_\_\_%
- d. a male who is colourblind: \_\_\_\_\_%

Punnett Square:


